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In re Application of:

Melik Isbara

Serial No.: 08/925,868

Filing Date: September 9, 1997

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
INTERFACING MIXED VOLTAGE
SIGNALS

§	Group Art No.:	2816
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§	Examiner:	Wells, Kenneth
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§	Atty. Dkt. No.:	INPA:035 (P4537)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 2, 1998, please amend the
above-referenced patent application as follows:

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REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)

This is a request for filing a **continuation** application under Rule 53 (37 CFR § 1.53(d)) of pending prior application Serial No. 08/925,868, filed on September 9, 1997, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INTERFACING MIXED VOLTAGE SIGNALS."

The above-identified prior application in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

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156.00 OP

- ☐ 1. Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
- ☒ 2. A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
- ☐ 3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(4).
- ☐ (a) **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application: _____
- ☐ (b) The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
- ☐ 4. A new Power of Attorney is enclosed.
- ☐ 5. An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed.
- ☐ (a) PTO-1449.
- ☐ (b) Copies of IDS citations.
- ☒ 6. Enclosed is a check to cover the filing fee as calculated below. The fee is calculated after entry of the preliminary amendment.

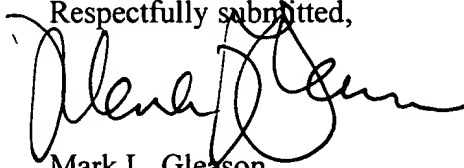
FEE SHEET

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE
Basic Fee -----				\$760.00
Total Claims	20 - 20 =	0 X	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	5 - 3 =	2 X	\$78.00 =	\$156.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) -----				\$0.00
TOTAL FILING FEES:				\$916.00

- ☐ 7. Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status for this application.
- ☐ (a) A small entity statement is enclosed.
- ☐ (b) A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- ☐ (c) Small entity status is no longer claimed.
- ☒ 8. If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an overpayment be included herein, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Arnold White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/TNPA:035/GLE.
- ☐ 9. The Assistant Commissioner is requested to grant Applicants a filing date in accordance with Rule 1.53, and supply Applicants with a Notice of Missing Parts in due course, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 1.53(d).
- ☐ 10. Priority of application Serial No. filed on in the country of is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
- ☒ 11. Address all future communications to:
- Mark L. Gleason
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- ☐ 12. Other:
- ☒ 13. Return Receipt Postcard (should be specifically itemized).

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. § 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file jacket of a 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file jacket, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file jacket.

Respectfully submitted,



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PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD
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Application or Docket Number

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

FOR	(Column 1) NUMBER FILED	(Column 2) NUMBER EXTRA
BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	20 minus 20 =	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	5 minus 3 =	2
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		

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SMALL ENTITY TYPE

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OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	760
x\$18=	
x78=	1560
+260=	
TOTAL	9160

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

AMENDMENT A	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Column 3) PRESENT EXTRA
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			

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OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

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AMENDMENT B	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Column 3) PRESENT EXTRA
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